

Free Press.

SAN MARCOS, TEXAS.
THURSDAY, JULY 30, 1885.

HOME NEWS.

ARRIVAL OF PASSENGER TRAINS.

TRAINS FROM SAN MARCOS AS FOLLOWS:

MAIL. MAIL.

Going South: 8:45 A. M. and 8:30 P. M.

Going North: 8:45 A. M. and 6:45 P. M.

Persons not subscribers who may at any time receive copies of the Free Press, will please understand that they are sent simply as samples, in the hope that the parties addressed may like it well enough to favor us with their subscription.

New lot of cooking-stoves at Hinzle's.

Fresh lot of bacon at Hinzle's.

Shirts at New York cost for cash, at W. C. DUGGER'S.

Parasols at cost, at J. V. HUTCHINS.

WARRANTY DEEDS for sale at the Free Press office.

Fresh country butter and eggs at Hinzle's.

Genuine Middlesex blue suits for \$9.50 cash, at W. C. DUGGER'S.

Butter and eggs on ice at Hinzle's.

Fans at cost, at J. V. HUTCHINS.

Dress Goods at cost, at J. V. HUTCHINS.

If you need sewing-machine needles, oils and fixtures, go to W. C. DUGGER.

We learn there is considerable sickness in town.

Nothing but fine work done at CHAPMAN'S.

The White is the best sewing machine in the market, and sold by W. C. DUGGER.

Hats at N. Y. cost for cash, at W. C. DUGGER'S.

Mattings and carpeting cheap enough for all. J. W. NANCE & BRO.

Car-load of White Swan and Pride of the State flour received at Wm. Giesse, Agt.

Just received—bacon, hams, breakfast bacon, fresh lot of flour, sugar etc. TAYLOR & THOMAS.

Received last week, a car-load of bedsteads and a car-load of chairs. J. W. NANCE & BRO.

I mean what I say—I will sell you goods for the next 30 days at New York cost. W. C. DUGGER.

Bacon, lard, hams, breakfast bacon, shoulders, etc., just received at J. W. NANCE & BRO'S.

Nice line of water-coolers just received at M. HINZLE'S.

You can buy a White sewing machine from W. C. Dugger on instalments of \$3.00 per month.

Evaporated apples, the best and cheapest in the market at MARTIN HINZLE'S.

Now is your time—W. C. Dugger is selling his stock at cost.

A dollar saved is a dollar made. Go to W. C. Dugger, and get your men's and boys' clothing at New York cost for cash.

Just received, a fresh lot of lard, bacon and hams, at M. HINZLE'S.

Single copies of the Free Press for sale at the office, also at the book store of Russell & Ellison, five cents a copy.

At New York Cost for 20 Days!

My entire stock of clothing and hats. W. C. DUGGER.

Fine Cabinet Photos from \$4.50 to \$5.50 per doz., at CHAPMAN'S, in the Combs building. june-1w

In order to make room for fall stock, I will offer my entire stock of clothing at N. Y. cost. W. C. DUGGER.

Just received, carload Royal Patent and Eagle Steam Iron pronounced to be the best in the market at M. HINZLE'S.

Plenty to eat and plenty to eat in, will be the cry, when you see the large stock of new crockery just from factory. It's for sale regardless of cost. H. HARDY & CO.

For Rent.

A cottage in a pleasant locality, of two rooms and a kitchen. One room would be retained by the owner if preferred. Inquire at the Free Press Office.

Single copies of the Daily St. Louis Republic and Globe-Democrat, New York Sun, Chicago News, etc., may be had at this office.

Carload of the justly celebrated Moline Wagons received and offered for sale at reasonable prices and terms. Wm. Giesse, Agent.

CASH FOR PRINTING.—All job work, which is essentially a cash business, must be paid for in cash. Don't ask us for credit or trade in this department.

As we are anxious to reduce our stock before making fall purchases, we announce a general reduction in the price of all seasonable goods. Bargains to be had. JOHNSON & JOHNSON.

We have opened a full line of tinware, at prices that will actually surprise you. Call and examine before buying. H. HARDY & CO.

Just in, direct from factory, a large, well-selected and beautiful stock of glassware, lamps and lamp fixtures. Come and look. H. HARDY & CO.

Just received, a new line of summer hats for the Chattanooga school. The broad-brim hats are the thing; only cost 25 cents. DAILEY & BAO.

No More Ice!

Steele & Code request us to say that unless they receive better patronage they will close their ice factory from and after August 1st. They say the business does not pay.

Special News for the Ladies.

We are now in receipt of a splendid line of the celebrated John Kelly shoes. In quality and fit they are unsurpassed. The price commands them to sell. JOHNSON & JOHNSON.

Jan. Taylor & Bro. will pay the highest market price for cotton seed, and will continue to do so until the season.

Don't forget that Jan. Taylor & Bro. are receiving fresh groceries every day, and they are for sale, and will be delivered free to any part of the city.

Bacon, lard, hams, breakfast bacon, shoulders, etc., just received, and many other groceries just received, and will be sold at the lowest prices.

The Normal.

The past week has been a busy and profitable one at the Normal. Those who have attended regularly and taken an interest in the work have been benefited.

The regular work of the Institute will be finished Friday at noon. Saturday the examination for summer normal certificates will be begun and will continue three days.

During the Institute the principal has been assisted by several teachers.

Prof. J. W. Jennett, of Gonzales, has had charge of the class in physics, and his clear conception of the subject and plain and forcible explanations, together with his extended knowledge of the various branches taught in school, and his pleasant and gentle manner prove him to be one of the leading educators of West Texas.

Mrs. C. M. Dunbar, who has been teaching for 35 years, has rendered very efficient service in the classes in United States and Texas History. She has spent a lifetime in her noble calling, and is still as pleasant and sprightly as a girl of sixteen.

Mrs. L. M. Canfield has conducted the recitations in geography in a very satisfactory manner. If she knows as much about every other branch as she does about geography, (and we have no doubt she does), we certainly envy her very much.

Miss Octavia Clifton did some good work in the early part of the Institute.

Prof. A. A. Thomas has conducted the recitations in Algebra in a manner that the principal pronounced satisfactory.

Prof. John Rote, son of the principal, has had charge of the class in geometry, and by his clear explanations and demonstrations has shown a thorough knowledge of the subject.

Prof. J. H. Hill, Miss Cara Franklin, Miss Julia Smith, Prof. J. L. Pritchett and various others have kindly favored the Institute with music, recitations and calisthenics, for which they will please accept the thanks of all the teachers.

Prof. Rote desires us to return his thanks to the President of Cornell Institute for the many courtesies shown him during the continuance of the Normal.

The following is the committee appointed to examine applicants for summer normal certificates: Prof. W. C. Rote and Mrs. Canfield, of San Antonio, and Prof. A. A. Thomas, of Prairie Lea.

All candidates will be examined in the branches required for a first-grade certificate; those who get 80 per cent. will be entitled to first-grade certificates; those who get 80 per cent. to second; and those who get 70 per cent. to third; provided the candidates grade does not fall below 60 per cent. in any branch.

The ruling of Mr. Baker requiring applicants for second and third-grade certificates to be examined in physics, algebra, and geometry has been severely criticised by many of the teachers. He certainly made a great mistake in this ruling. There are several teachers here who are very anxious to get normal certificates and who have never studied physics nor geometry; and they are good teachers, too—far better, I dare say, than Mr. Baker ever was or ever will be. This is a great injustice to these deserving teachers. We do not believe the superintendent has the power to make such a ruling, and consider it arbitrary and not according to law.

The law states plainly what branches candidates for first, second and third grade certificates shall be examined in, and if Mr. Baker has the power to add branches to the second and third grades he certainly has the power to add to the first grade also, and pretty soon candidates for first grade certificates will be required by our honorable superintendent to be examined in Latin, Greek, Hebrew, the Calculus, etc., etc., ad infinitum.

See advertisement of the Texas Baptist.

Visiting Cards, latest craze, at this office.

Bill Heads, all sizes, to west rates. A FREE PRESS OFFICE.

We will duplicate all outside bills on stationery. Try us and see.

Wedding and Ball Invitations, a la mode, at the Free Press office.

Ball invitations and programmes with tassels and pencils, neat, unique, stylish. At Free Press office.

That foot-bridge over the branch near the ice-factory, recently ordered erected by our city council, is a capital good thing.

Visiting cards, latest styles, round, square, and concave corners; plain gold and noddled bevel edges for ladies and gentlemen. Send your orders.

The Free Press is in receipt of a choice lot of fine stationery of the latest styles and will print wedding and ball invitations in neatest style possible. Call and see the latest thing in wedding cards, "just too sweet for anything."

FINE STATIONERY at the Free Press office.

Bill heads, Statements, Note and Letter heads, cards, circulars, blanks and anything the printing line neatly and cheaply executed at this office. Our reputation for first-class work is well established.

At a special meeting of the council last week the following gentlemen were appointed trustees of our free schools: W. O. Hutchison, Chas. Hutchings, A. C. Mosher, Dr. DeSteiger and R. Fromme, and Squire Rucker for the colored people.

Public Speaking at the Supper.

We are requested to announce that T. H. Franklin, Esq., and Capt. J. V. Hutchins will deliver short addresses at the ice cream supper to-morrow night. There will also be several comic recitations by some of the Normal students. Prof. Whipple, of Science Hall, is expected to contribute. There will be music by the string band. You can't afford to miss it.

Yesterday we were shown a design for an aquarium which is to be donated to the Chattanooga School Association. It will certainly add much to the beauty of the picture-gallery grounds. It is understood that a committee of ladies are to superintend the decoration of the tank, and that the aquarium is to be surrounded by rare aquatic plants, while gold-fish and sea anemones are to be introduced. This is a splendid idea, and is being carried out by Messrs. Harrington, Northcraft, Reynolds & Daniel, Carter and Holmes. Who will follow this worthy example!

PERSONAL.

Mr. Pate has closed his grocery business.

Capt. Martin has returned, and will resume traveling for St. Louis house.

Joseph Dillrell and family, of Georgetown are among the new acquisitions to San Marcos.

H. C. Hobbs, Esq., of Wimberly, made us a pleasant call the first of this week.

The Streper dramatic company is waking up the theatre goers of Kyle.

Our young friend Green, of the First National, is a grandfather. Only think!

Mrs. Markley, of San Antonio, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Schultz.

J. S. Malone, of Pearsall, is registered at the Hotelbeuz.

Miss Fannie Hutchins, of Austin, is visiting at this place.

The San Marcos "Round-Up," "Cremet," or "What Is It," is announced and will make its first appearance on Saturday.

Major Donaldson and others leave to-day on an excursion to Sour Wells, to be gone about two weeks.

The ice cream parlors of McLellan & Geringer are a favorite resort of our young people.

Mrs. Lindsey, an excellent lady of this place, is nursing Mrs. Fromme, who is improving under her care.

Rev. Mr. French was summoned to San Antonio this morning in consequence of the sickness of his brother.

McLamore, of the Kyle News, acknowledges "a most pleasant call" from Mrs. Rice, representing the Galveston Opera Glass.

Mr. Rowland has sold his homestead to Mr. T. B. Lee, for \$600. Mr. Rowland will remain with us.

Our reporter was in error in stating, last week, that Frank Buck lives on T. H. Ellison's place. He lives on Rufus Ellison's.

We had a pleasant call during the Baptist association from Rev. Wm. P. Drew, associate editor the Baptist Herald at Austin.

Jas. G. Burleson, our popular county clerk, may now be overheard rapturously exclaiming with the poet: "My daughter, oh! my daughter!"

Rev. Mr. French is understood to be the San Marcos correspondent of the Kyle News. The Rev. gentleman shows himself to be "no slouch" as a localizer.

Mrs. Fry, with a part of her family, returned last week from a visit to Williamson county. Sorry to learn her health is no better.

And now we hear it said that B. W. S. Jr., is the "coming man," matrimonially speaking. He cannot afford to be so badly distanced in the race by the Senior.

Our pencil made a fearful halt in our notice of John Richards' irrigating wheel and pump last week, which throws 1000 gallons an hour, instead of 60 gallons as was stated.

Prof. A. A. Thomas again favors us with a report of the Normal School. It will close on Friday, says the examinations, which will take up some days of next week.

We notice that the name of our distinguished townsman, Hon. J. V. Hutchins, is mentioned in the newspapers as among the prospective candidates for gubernatorial honors.

We regret to learn that Mrs. Emma Franz, whose mind has been somewhat affected since her husband's death, was suddenly taken away a few days since, and has been sent to Austin for treatment.

Capt. Eve, our county surveyor, returned a few days since from a surveying tour in the upper part of the county—the wildest part. He states that the Blanco and other streams up that way are so high as to be scarcely fordable.

San. Kone showed us a basket of very large and beautiful peaches of his production, and as delicious as beautiful, judging by the sample. Our vicinity is exhibiting marked progress in the cultivation of improved varieties of fruits.

Prof. Whipple, of Science Hall Academy, made us a pleasant call last week. He has recently been honored with the degree of A. M. by the University of Iowa. The outlook for his school at Science Hall, we are pleased to learn, is very good.

We publish in full on our first page the funeral sermon of Judge Chatham, recently delivered at the Presbyterian church by the pastor, Rev. Mr. French. It will be read with interest by the many friends of the deceased, as well as others.

Mr. Harris, of our freight depot, asked us to publish a word of warning to a number of the boys of this place, who are in the habit of recklessly boarding the cars at this place, and misbehaving generally. They are making themselves liable to arrest, besides endangering their lives.

Prof. Rote, on Tuesday night, at the court house, made a most edifying talk to a fair audience on the public school system, especially with reference to the interests of our town. We have nearly a complete report of the speech, and in order to bring it before a wider circle, propose publishing it in our next issue.

The San Marcos correspondent of the Kyle News says: "Misses Queen and Mary Lindsey, accompanied by their cousin, Mr. Lindsey, of the firm of Brown & Lindsey, left on Monday afternoon for Sour Wells, and expect to be absent a month or so. The object of the trip is for the benefit of Miss Mary's health, who it will be remembered has been sick for some time."

We were glad this week to meet again the eloquent and fervid young minister and missionary of the Christian denomination, Mr. Houshield, from the Island of Jamaica, whose visit to this place last year is pleasantly remembered. He is holding a series of meetings at the Christian church, and of course commands large audiences.

Decidedly the most remarkable man in attendance at the late Baptist association was the venerable J. F. Hillier. We learn he is eighty-four years old, but there seems to be no abatement of his mental or physical force. He is a man of great natural ability and a ripe scholar. One must naturally wonder that such a man is not found in one of the high places of his church, instead of officiating as an humble educator.

Mr. Northcraft has shown us the plan of a new dwelling house he has in the process of erection, next to Mrs. Garrett's. It is to be two stories high. The design is entirely new, and handsome and better than any other we have noticed. Provision is made for ventilation without consuming space with extensive halls which are rendered unnecessary. The house is to be occupied by lawyer Brown, one of our new citizens.

We had the pleasure, during the late Baptist association, of frequent calls from our genial and accomplished friend, Prof. W. M. Jordan. We are pleased to learn that he has purchased the high school building at Lockhart and will have it organized for the session under the name and style of "Jordan Institute." We believe it is admitted that a well conducted school cannot be a reputable but must be an absolute monarchy. At any rate we believe that is a favorite idea of Prof. Jordan. Not that his reign is anything but agreeable, but possessing a strong individuality, and thorough confidence in himself and his knowledge of his profession, he loves to have his own way, and we do not doubt that it will be well for his patrons that he should be allowed to have it. We cordially wish him success in his new enterprise.

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Staples' Store.

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